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**Abstract** Jirsa examines forgiveness as a deliberative process on the interpersonal level based on the philosophical and ethical framework of the Christian concept of forgiveness. He introduces the notion of collective or shared memory and shared intention as two basic features of collective identity. According to this analyses it is possible to claim that there is such a think as a collective forgiveness. Finally he questions the main evangelical conception of unconditional forgiveness, showing that forgiveness is not the only way to overcome past harm and resentment and suggesting substantive argument for moral distinction between appropriate and inappropriate forgiveness. The study is based on the testimonies of the Holocaust survivors and survivors of communist working camps in Russia and Eastern Europe.  
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**Abstract** This dissertation looks at the cultural memory of Jewish suffering in North-Eastern and Southern Transylvania during the W.W.II. It tries to establish the degree to which memory of the historical event exists during the years of Communist rule and after 1989, the forms it takes and the policies involved in the various reproductions of the past. The task is to determine how the discussions about the recent past in public discourse that take place in these two periods render bare the processes of management and instrumentalisation of the social/cultural memory of Jewish suffering during W.W.II.  
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